

Special Issue

Exotic and Zoo Bird Behaviour and Welfare

Message from the Guest Editors

Many species of birds are common as companion animals and in private aviculture, and across zoological collections globally birds are the most speciose of all taxa currently housed. Knowledge of such behaviour is crucial to inform captive care, evidence best practice management, and inform our understanding of avian welfare. Whilst much work has been produced on domestic poultry, there is a need for species-specific information on captive requirements and tools for the welfare assessment for the myriad of non-domestic, exotic bird species housed in zoos and private collections. This Special Issue seeks to share information on all aspects of behaviour and welfare that relate to exotic bird species housed as pets (e.g., parrots) or in private aviculture (e.g., softbills), as well as those species found in zoological settings (e.g., penguins, pelicans, ratites). Work on domestic species housed within non-traditional settings (i.e., domestic poultry housed in a zoo/children's farm) will also be considered. The aim of this Special Issue is to gather together our current knowledge on exotic bird behaviour and welfare under managed conditions to advance species-specific care.

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